

NOVEMBER 09, 2011

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE 2012
PRELIMINARY BUDGET.

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR 12/06/11 FOR
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

APPROVED GEOTHERMAL HVAC SYSTEM FOR
CONTRACT #5 FOR ARKVILLE WATER SYSTEM.

RESOLUTION TO ALLOCATE PORTIONS OF THE
NYC LAND ACQUISITION PROGRAM FUNDS FOR
FLOOD MITIGATION.

APPROVED MODIFICATION NO. 1 OF
CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH HUBBELL INC.
NOT TO EXCEED \$450,000.00 FOR FLOOD REPAIR.

2012 PRELIMINARY BUDGET ADOPTED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-NYC ASSESSMENT
LITIGATION AND NEGOTIATIONS OF UNION
CONTRACT.

The Town Board of the Town of Middletown, Delaware County, New York, held their budget hearing and regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 09, 2011 at the Town Hall, located on State Route 28, Margaretville.

The following Board Members were present:

Supervisor.....Len Utter

Council Members.....Brian Sweeney, Mike Finberg, Jake Rosa, and
John Roucek

Also present were: Town Attorney Carey Wagner, Marge Miller, Fred Miller, Kurt Holcherr, Diane Galusha, Code Enforcer Pat Davis, Sue Finch, Hwy Supt John Biruk, Bill Taylor, Paul Krickhahn Jr., Roy Goodman, Jean Goodman, Wade Barney, Brendon Becker, Terry Johnson, Beth Bush, Betty Martin, Patricia Svoboda, Ernie & Janet Steiglehner, and Charles Freas.

Supervisor Utter called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Clerk read the ATTACHED notice advertising the Public Hearing to consider the 2012 Preliminary Town Budget. Charles Freas presented the ATTACHED Middletown Budget Summary Questions. Beth Bush presented the ATTACHED CE-Explanation to Contractual Expenses. Janet Steiglehner spoke about combining the hwy clerk, deputy clerk, and assessor clerk to save money. She felt part-time employees should not get benefits. Also that the Town should not give \$70,000 for the ambulance and maybe the transfer station should only be open 4 or 5 days a week. Ernie Steiglehner stated that board members should not have their health insurance paid. Charles Freas stated 0% increase is fair as there are a lot of people with reduction in income and loss of wages.

The hearing was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Supervisor Utter called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. Minutes of 10/05, 10/12 and 10/26 were approved as amended, by a motion made by J. Roucek, seconded by J. Rosa, and carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays.

Supervisor Utter opened the floor to the public.

A motion was made by J. Rosa to hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. for public comments on the Draft Comprehensive Plan. This motion was seconded by J. Roucek and carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays.

As per the ATTACHED recommendation of Lamont Engineers, a motion was made by J. Rosa to go with the (GSHP) geothermal HVAC system for Contract #5 for the Arkville Water District. This motion was seconded by M. Finberg and carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays.

A motion was made by Supervisor Utter to approve the ATTACHED Resolution to allocate portions of the New York City land acquisition program funds for flood mitigation. This motion was seconded by J. Rosa and carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays.

A motion was made by J. Rosa to approve the ATTACHED Modification No. 1 of Contractor Agreement with Hubbell Inc. for flood repair not to exceed - \$450,000.00 without prior written authorization. This motion was seconded by B. Sweeney and carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays.

Next, the Board discussed and considered the adoption of the 2012 Town Budget. Motion was made by Supervisor Utter to adopt the 2012 Preliminary Budget. This motion was seconded by B. Sweeney and carried by a vote of (4) ayes and (1) nay – J. Rosa.

Supervisor Utter suggested that the transfer station close their gates at 4:15 p.m. to get ready to close at 4:30 p.m.

Supervisor Utter opened the floor to the public. Janet Steiglehner asked if Arkville Water was getting new water meters. Beth Bush told her yes. Patricia Svoboda stated that the transfer station is frequently closing early so someone needs to check to see if it is closing early. Betty Martin stated that 0% is put in the newspaper telling what happens at meetings. She also felt that the Deputy Clerk should have to work 25 hours a week. She thought if FEMA owes the Town \$400,000 maybe someone should advise FEMA. Sue Finch wanted to know about the resolution for NYC land acquisition, did all Towns sign this, is it too early to see if there is any results but felt time is of the essence.

Motion was made by B. Sweeney at 9:15 p.m. to enter into Executive Session to discuss NYC assessment litigation and union negotiations. Included in the Executive Session were the Deputy Town Clerk, Town Attorney and Marge Miller. Motion for adjournment was made by L. Utter and seconded by J. Rosa. This motion was carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays, and the Executive Session was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. There were no Board decisions per the Executive Session.

Supervisor Utter distributed his October 2011 financial report to the board.

Voucher #8 for the Housing Rehab. Project in the amount of \$12,180.00 was approved for payment by a motion made by L. Utter, seconded by J. Rosa, and carried a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays.

Vouchers #23-29 for the Arkville Water Project in the amount of \$351,561.18 were approved for payment by a motion made by J. Rosa, seconded by J. Roucek, and carried a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays.

The monthly vouchers were audited and ordered paid by a motion made by B. Sweeney, seconded by J. Roucek, and carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays. Vouchers approved were #s 687-787, totaling \$140,966.79. Motion for adjournment was made by J. Roucek and seconded by J. Rosa. This motion was carried by a vote of (5) ayes and (0) nays, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Dated: December, 07, 2011

Patricia F. Kelly
Deputy Town Clerk